

REMARKS

The Office Action dated April 30, 2007 has been received and carefully noted. The above amendments to the claims, and the following remarks, are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

Claims 4-6, 9 and 15-17 are amended to correct typographical informalities. New claim 20 is added. Applicants submit that new claim 20 is added to protect aspects of Applicant's invention. No new matter is added. A terminal disclaimer is submitted. Claims 1-20 are respectfully submitted for consideration.

The Office Action provisionally rejected claims 1-19 under the doctrine of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting over claims 31-60 of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/495,275 to Maanoja et al. ('275). The Office Action asserted that the difference between the two applications is that the present application checks to see whether an active user plane address /IP address already exists and if it does, sends the data via the existing user plane.

As stated above, an appropriate terminal disclaimer is submitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.321. Accordingly, withdrawal of the provisional non-statutory obviousness type double-patenting rejection is respectfully requested.


As discussed above, new claim 20 is added. Applicants respectfully submit that claim 20 is of similar scope of claim 19, and therefore, does not require further search and/or consideration.

Applicants submit that each of claims 1-20 is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that each of claims 1-20 be allowed, and this application passed to issue.

If for any reason the Examiner determines that the application is not now in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact, by telephone, the applicants' undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

In the event this paper is not being timely filed, the applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account 50-2222.

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